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Question.

IS any lie of the Truth?

Answer. No, for the Truth checks and reproves the Lyar, and he is not of Truth, *1 Joh.* 2, 21.

Q. *And what is he of the divel that is not of truth?*

A. Yea, for the Divel abides not in the Truth, *John* 8. 44.

Q. *What is the Truth?*

A. Christ, which doth enlighten every man which cometh in to the world, and the

the Truth which every man is enlightned withal. *John* 1. 9. *John* 14. 6.

Q. *And is the Light the Truth, which doth enlighten every man that cometh into the world? and will this truth which is the light shew to every man his evil deeds, and manifest to him his evill deeds which he hath acted, and the Devel which is out of Truth?*

A. Yea, yea, believing in it. *John* 12. 36.

Q. *And is there no other way to the Father, but the light which is the Truth?*

A. No, for the light is Christ, which comes from the Father, and is the way to the Father, who enlighteneth every man that cometh into the world. *John* 14. 6.

Q. *And why doth he enlighten every man that cometh into the world?*

A. That all men through him might believe, who is the light. *John* 1. 7.

Q. *And are all men to believe in the light which doth enlighten every man that cometh into the world?*

A. Yea.

Q. *Are they condemned else?*

A. Yea. *John* 3. 18, 19.

Q. *And is this the condemnation that light is come into the world, and that men do not believe in it?*

A. Yea.

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Q. And are men to believe in it?

A. Yea.

Q. What if men profess the Scriptures, and do not believe in that which enlighteneth every one that cometh into the world?

A. They that do so, they are of the Devel, and are as the Iews were, and they plead for sin while they be upon earth, *John* 8.44.

Q. And do not many in our age not believe in the light which is Christ, which doth enlighten every man that cometh into the world, and yet profess the Scriptures, and do plead for sin while they be upon earth?

A. Yes: these are as the Iews were, professing the Scriptures, and not believing in the light which doth enlighten every man that cometh into the world, and those say they do believe in Christ, but they do not believe in Christ, which do not believe in the light, which doth enlighten every man that cometh into the world: for the true light which doth enlighten every man that cometh into the world, is the true Christ, he saith believe in the light, that you may be children of the light. *John* 1.9. & 8.12.

Q. Is this the true Belief, to believe in

the light, is this he that is born of God, which
giveth victory over the world?

A. Yes. 1 *John* 5. 4.

Q. *And have men victory over the world*
who believe in the light?

A. Yea.

Q. *And have not all they which do read*
the Scriptures, and do not believe in the
light which doth enlighten every man that
cometh into the world, victory over the
world?

A. No, they have not victory, for they do not believe in the light; they say they believe in God, and in Christ, and they do not, for Christ Jesus is the light, which doth enlighten every man that cometh into the world; and God is light, and they that do not believe in this light, do not believe, so they remain under condemnation, without the light which doth enlighten every man that cometh into the world, 1 *John* 1. 5, 6.

Q. *In what light which you tell me of*
which I am enlightned withal, which search-
eth me all that ever I have done, and all the
ungodly ways that ever I have acted in, and
all the ungodly deeds which I have commit-
ted, and hard speeches I have spoken, ungodly
words I have uttered, and the hard and
wicked thoughts and imaginations which I

have imagined and thought is the light which doth shew it, and make this manifest?

A. Yes, this is the light which shews thee this, which doth enlighten every man that cometh into the world, Eph. 5. 13.

Q. And is this the light which makes deeds evil, because their deeds are evil, and will not bring their deeds to the light, because the light will reprove them?

A. Yes, John 3. 20.

Q. And will this light which doth enlighten every man which cometh into the world reprove him that delights in the light, and his deeds are wrought in God?

A. No, John 3. 21.

Q. And will this light shew every one their words, actions and thoughts, and ways, and deeds, and imaginations?

A. Yes, it doth make them manifest, and it doth try them, John 3. 19, 20.

Q. Can any see their ways, words, and actions, deeds, thoughts, imaginations, without the light which doth enlighten withal?

A. No.

Q. How may I know a thought and an imagination from the light?

A. The light discovers them, and makes them manifest, which cometh from him by

whom the world was made, which light was before thoughts were, and if the light be hearkned to, the thoughts and imaginations shall not lodge within thee *Heb.* 1. 2.

Q. How must I overcome them, and where must I know the first step of peace?

A. In the light which thou art enlightned withal (which loving thou wilt see thy self; and how thou hast spent thy time) in that light stand still, and with that light thou wilt come to see Christ the Saviour of thy soul, from whence the light comes, to save thee from thy sin, and that which the light discovers contrary to it; thy strength is to stand still, and believe in the light; so he that believeth, doth not make haste, for he believeth in that which doth make manifest that which is to be condemned, and so doth not will nor run, but cometh to know that the election hath obtained it, and doth obtain it; and so the light will let thee see thy self, and the cross which is to deny self and to follow Christ, and he that followeth not the light, which doth enlighten every man that cometh into the world, which Christ hath enlightned him withal, followeth not Christ, but remains in the

self, not denied, and in darkness. *Isa.* 28, 16. *Rom.* 9, 16. & 11. 7.

Q. And of whom must I learn?

A. Of Christ who hath enlightned thee. *Mat.* 11. 29.

Q. Will he teach me?

A. Yea, if thou learn of him which hath enlightned thee with the light, he will let thee see when sin doth appear in thy thoughts and motions, before it comes into acti ons; and to abstain from it when it appears, and to shun all appearances of evil; for the light doth discover it, and make it manifest, and is that which doth reprove, 2 *Cor.* 10. 15 *1 Thes.* 5. 22.

Q. What difference is there between the Jews & the Christians in nature, seeing that neither the Jews nor Christians do believe in the light which doth enlighten every man that cometh into the world, which is the Christ by whom the world was made; and yet both will profess the Scriptures?

A. There is no difference; but these Christians do profess some of Christ words, and the Apostles words, which the Jews do not, they being out of the life, which is the light of men; which the Apostles were in, and so both in the one life, which is without; they not owning the light which

doth enlighten every man that cometh into the world, they are not come to him, in whom is life, which light is the life of men: and the Jews and these Christians not coming to the light, in whom is life, they come not to the life of men, *John* 1 4.

Q. And whether Jew, and Gentile, and Christians, which do not believe in the light, which enlighten every man that cometh into the world, be all out of him who is the light, the life of men?

A. Yea, *Isa.* 42. 6.

Q. What are Jews, and Gentiles, and Christians, which do not believe in the light, which enlighteth every man that cometh into the world (though they may profess all the Scriptures) are they all out of the way?

A. Yea, and out of the life of men, if they do not believe in the light which doth enlighten every man which doth come into the world: for the light is the way to the Father of light, the light which doth enlighten every man which doth come into the world. *John* 8. 12. & 12. 46.

Q. Is not this the way to the Father of light, the light which doth enlighten every man which doth come into the world?

A. Yea, the light is the way both to Jews and Christians; Christ Jesus saith, I am the

the way who doth enlighten every man that cometh into the world, and no man cometh to the Father but by me, every man having a light from Christ the way, it leads to the Father. *Rom.* 10.20.

Q. Suppose that the Preachers, Teachers, and Professors say, Christ doth not enlighten every one.

A. Yea such Teachers as are made by the will of man, and are set up by the Powers of the Earth, and not with Truth; but the Teachers which are made by the will of God and not by man, witnessed this true light, which lighteth every man that cometh into the world: and such preached it, and was manifest to it in every man, *Gal.* 1.1, 2 *Cor.* 4.6. 3.6.

Q. And what do they deny Christ that do not confess the true light which doth enlighten every man that cometh into the world.

A. Yes.

Q. What is Christ the Resurrection and the Life?

A. Yea, he who lighteth every man that cometh into the world, by whom the world was made, he is the restorer and the seeker of the lost, and the resurrection, and the life, and the raiser up of the broken, and he reconciles to God, and is the mediator between

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God and man; he that doth enlighten every man that cometh into the world, he by whom it was made, who justifies to God, who covereth iniquity, and blotteth out sin and transgression. *Luke* 19. 10. *Joh.* 11. 25. 1 *Tim.* 2. 5. *Eph.* 2. 16. 17.

Q. What is this the Christ, the second Adam, that bringeth back that which was driven away?

A. Yea, the second *Adam* is, for as in the first *Adam* all died, so in the second *Adam* are we all made alive. 1 *Cor.* 15. 22.

Q. How died all in the first Adam, and how are we made alive in the second?

A. He transgressed, so is in the sin, out of the life in the death, death reigns from *Adam* to *Moses*, for *Adam* having transgressed the Law and Commandment of God, so death reigned from *Adam* till *Moses*, and so who be first in *Adam* they be out of Gods commands, they be in the sin, they be out of the light, which is the Law of God, they be out of reach, they be the old creatures who died in *Adam*. Now Christ is he that makes alive, and quickens from the trespasses which the first *Adam* is in, and destroys death, and the power of it, who doth enlighten every man that come into the world, that all through him the second *Adam* might be

and might have light in him, in whom is life, which is the light of men, man being in *Adam* in transgression out of this light, which doth enlighten every man that cometh into the world, by whom it was made, he is out of the second *Adam*, out of truth, out of the light which is the life of men, and out of the way, the light, and the life, the way to the Father of life; in the transgression, in the death; dead in the first *Adam*, though they may profess all the Saints words, yet not believing in the Saints light the Saints was in, in whom is life; being (I say) out of the light, and the life, they are in the death: for none comes to life, but who comes to Christ, who hath enlightned them from the first *Adam* to the resurrection out of the sin, death, and transgression, *Rom.* 5. 14. *1 Cor.* 15. 47. 48. *2 Cor.* 5. 17. *2 Tim.* 1. 10. *Joh.* 1. 4. & 14. 16. *Rom.* 8. 2.

Q. Doth Christ enlighten every man that cometh into the world?

A. Yea, *John* 1. 9.

Q. And did not the world stand a witness against this true light, that enlighteneth every man that cometh into the world?

A. Yea, *John* 8.

Q. And did not the Scribes, and the Pharisees, and chief Priests, and Herod, and

Pontius

Pontius Pilate, *stand a witness against this true light, that enlighteth every man that cometh into the world, which is Christ?*

A. Yea, *Herod* the Ruler put *John Baptist* to death, who was a man sent from God, and came for a Witness, to bear witness of the true light; and he confessed, and said, he was the true light that enlightened every man that cometh into the world. *John* 1. 6, 7.

Q. Did not the chief Priests gather Councels together against Christ to put him to death?

A. Yea. *John* 11. 53.

Q. But could not the chief Priests tell by the Scriptures where Christ should be born by the Scriptures these were wise men?

A. Yea, they could *Mat.* 2. 5.

Q. And did not they seek to put Christ to death that could tell where he should be born by the Scriptures?

A. Yea, they did so.

Q. And did Pilate when he had power to crucifie Christ? he was a wise man, he had Hebrew, Greek, and Latin?

A. Yea he had so; for when they crucified Christ, he wrote his superscription over him in Hebrew, Greek, and Latin, he did so, *John* 19. 19.

Q. Do not the Teachers of the world tell us that the Originalls Hebrew, Greek and Latin, which do deny Christ that enlightneth every man that cometh into the world, and do not these set their Original above Christ's which deny the light which enlightneth every man that cometh into the world.

A. Yea. *Rom* 10. 9.

Q. What doth the light which every man that cometh into the world is enlightned withal, doth that light bring to confess Christ, and to see him?

A. Yea.

Q. And can none confess Christ but who confess the light, which every man is enlightened withal?

A. No; for the light which every man is enlightned withal brings to Christ, and to confess him.

Q. What, are all antichrists which do not confess Christ the light, which hath enlightned every man that cometh into the world, but deny it?

A. Yea 1 *John* 4. 3.

Q. How, and why?

A. First, they denying the light which Christ hath enlightned them withal in their particulars, they are against him who enlightned every man that cometh into

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the world in the general, so are against the light in the particular, against the light in the general; and against Christ, Antichrist. *John* 2. 18, 19. 22.

Q. *What, then he that is against the light is blind: how can he see Christ, how can he confess him: is not this he that cries, Lo here is Christ, lo there is Christ, that comes not to the light which he himsefe is enlightned withal?*

A. Yea; it is so. *Luke* 17. 21.

Q. *What then is this the Deceiver, that is from the light, which he is enlightned withal; and begets other people from the light which they be enlightned withal?*

A. Yea, that is the Deceiver. *John* 17. 12, 15.

Q. *What, doth not he which is from the light, which he is enlightned withal, who will not come to it, but goes from it, doth not he go from the truth, and will not come to truth?*

A. Yea, *John* 6. 40.

Q. *Is he not then of the Divel, which did not abide in the truth?*

A. Yea, *John* 8. 44.

Q. *But what if he now do profess the Scriptures, the Apostles words, and Christs words; and Moses words, and yet doth*

come to the light he is enlightned withall, which lighteth every man that cometh into the world, but denyeth this light which cometh into the world, may not be a Teacher of Christ, of Truth, and the Scriptures, though he denyeth this light which hath enlightned every man that cometh into the world?

A. Nay, he is no Teacher of Christ, but a denier of Christ, which denyeth the light that inlightneth every man that cometh into the world, for the light is Christ, *Joh.* 8. 12. *Matt* 10.

Q. But cannot men know the Scriptures, though they do not believe in the light which enlightneth every man that cometh into the world, by learning several languages, and interpreting the Languages, and teaching people their several languages, though they do not believe in the light which enlightneth every man that cometh into the world, him by whom the world was made; shall not these know the Scriptures?

A. Nay, these cannot know the Scriptures of Truth, but with the light which doth enlightneth every man that cometh into the world; for he is the substance of what was written, & he came to fulfil what was written, the light did and he is the Way, the way to know Scriptures. *Joh.* 8. 43. 44. *Rev.* 3 ver. 2. 3.

Q. Yea, but I had thought if I had gotten the Scriptures, and men had gotten the Scriptures which speaks of God and Christ, and the Prophets and the Apostles, and professed them, it had been enough, and carried them in my memory, (for this is but a thing lately that we have heard of, of a light that enlightneth every man that cometh into the world, that every one of us should be enlightned, and we not know it, that he came into the world, and that that light should give us the knowledge of Christ, from whence it comes, and this light should teach us, and this light should let us see Christ, in whom is light, which light is the life, and it should let us every one see the way to the Father of light, from whence light comes) I had thought getting an outward knowledge of the Scriptures, that had been sufficient?

A. Why, the Jews they had the letter, & could profess Moses words, and the Prophets words, and a Christ was to come, & they preached him, but knew not the Scriptures; and they did not know what they professed; and they were in the same knowledg which thou now art in in thy thoughts who has gotten the Scriptures in thy mind, but dost not believe in the light, which doth

enlighten

enlighten thee, and every man that cometh into the World: the Jews did not believe in the light, that did enlighten every man that cometh into the World, ſo they did not believe in the light vvhich they be enlightned vvithall; nor no more do they vvhich call themſelves Chriſtians; and here we differ nothing from the Jews, vvho have had but a knowledge of the letter as they had, and have not believed in the thing that is the light, which doth enlighten every man that cometh into the vvorld; and yet they are ſaid to be Chriſtians. and deny the light which vve all havebeen enlightned vvithal, & which enlightneth every man that cometh into the world: and have prayed for the converting of the Jews which do not believe in the light which enlightneth every man that cometh into the world: ſo they not believing in the light that enlightneth every man that cometh into the world, and having only a knowlenge in the letter, but being out of the belief of the light, as the Jews were, and ſo both out of the Covenant, which doth enlighten every man that cometh into the world: what ſhould they have converted the Jews into, when they both were out of the belief of the light, which hath enlightned every man that com-

eth into the world; yet they have talked of converting them, which have been only in the knowledge of the Letter, which profeſſed a Chriſt was to come, ſo as we have profeſſed a Chriſt come, but have not believed in the light, which enlightneth every man that cometh into the world, ſo have ſtood againſt the belief, for he doth enlighten every man that cometh into the world, that all men through him might believe, and with the light ſee Chriſt that hath enlightned them. *Acts* 13. 27. *John* 5. 38 1 *John* 2, 18, 19, 26, 27. 1 *John* 2. 4, 5, 6. *John* 6. 29. *Iſa.* 42. 6, 7. *Matth.* 2. 4, 5. *John* 8. 39, 40.

Q. What, then the light that hath enlightened every one that cometh into the world, is the way to the Father of light, from whence the light came, who is not of the world; and is this the way then, that enlightneth every man that cometh into the world?

A. Yea, *John* 3. 15, to the 20.

Q. What, then every man that cometh into the world hath a light from the way?

A. Yea, *Iſa.* 58, 10. & 49. 6.

Q. What, is he that is from the light blind? and what is he that goes from the light, from Chriſt:

A. Yea,

A. Yea, Isa. 59.10.

Q. And what doth hee cause them that are from the light, to wander from the way?

A. Yea:

Q. And is not he cursed that causeth the blinde to wander from the way?

A: Yea, the curse remains upon him, Deut. 17:18:

Q: Hee that cometh not to the light that he is inlightned withall, is not he to be condemned?

A: Yea:

Q. But is not this light natural, and a created light, which doth enlighten every man that cometh into the world, and every man is enlightned withall?

A: Nay; for he by whom the world was made, which was glorified with the Father before the world began, by whom all things were created that were created, he it is that enlightneth every man that cometh into the world, who is the second Adam, Christ the life and resurrection, all being dead in the first Adam in the transgression; and this light which he enlightneth every man withall, by whom all the naturals were created, is not a natural light, but is a spiritual light, and an eternall

light, Iſa: 60: 2, 3: 20: Iſa: 42: 6: John 1:3:

Q. *And is this the firſt principle of the true Religion, the light which enlighteneth every man which cometh into the world, which is not of the world, which giveth the knowledge of him which is not of the world, him by whom the world was made: and is this it which gives us to ſee the world, and the god of the world, and the prince of the power of the ayr, that ruleth in the children of diſobedience; will the light let ſee this?*

A: Yea, the light which cometh from him, by whom the world vvas made, lets ſee him that rules in them that are diſobedient, John 1:8:&c: & 3:36: & 4: Eph:2:2:

Q. *To what?*

A: To the light, 2 Cor:4:34:

Q. *But what if I get a knowledge in Bookes and Scriptures, in the Apoſtles words, Chriſts words, Prophets words, Moſes words, if I get all this into my knowledge, and learn Languages, Hebrew, greek and Latine, may I not bee a Teacher of Chriſt when I have learned this, though I do not own the light which enlighteneth every man that cometh into the world; and ſhall not I come to the Knowledge of the glory of* God?

A: No;

A. No, thou canst not come to the knowledge of the glory of God, neither art thou a Teacher of him, untill thou comest to own the light that shines in thy heart which Christ hath enlightned thee withal; which light must give thee the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ. 2. Cor. 4. 4. 5. 6.

Q. What then all my knowledge that is given to me, and not given to me by the light it will perish, it is natural?

A. Yea, for the light is it which gives the knowledge of God, which knowledge doth not perish. 2 *Cor.* 4. 6.

Q. What is the matter that there is so many divisions, and so many separations, and sects, and opinions in the world, and so meny Teachers. and all in division one against another, and will all profess the Scriptures, and yet they are not in fellowship one with another, and every one will cry up his way best, and these be out of fellowship one with another?

A. Yea they are so, now these be out of the light which they be enlightned withal, and so be out of that which must give them the true knowledge of the Scriptures, which light being one in them all & they come to the light, and loving the light, they all come

into fellowship one with another, into that that gave forth Scriptures, that is, into the Spirit, where there is unity; and being out of this, they are all in jarrs and confusion, Joh. 14. 22, 23, 24.

Q. *Is not this many Languages Babylon, and many Builders, where one plucks down anothers work; and why is that?*

A. That is because they are from the light which every man is enlightned withall; and the life that gave forth Scriptures, and they cannot see, Luk. 17. 21.

Q. *What then the light being one, which hath enlightned every man that cometh into the world, which light is the way, this way is but one; and is this it which is the way to the Father?*

A. Yea.

Q. *And what is the matter that all men stumble in judgement, and err in knowledge and wisdom?*

A. That is because they do not own the light which they be all enlightned withall, which comes from Christ the wisdom of God, which light gives them the knowledge of the glory of God, & brings them to true judgment; and the error is out from the light; and every man when he errs goes from the light which he is inlightned withal

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and he that ſtumbles in judgement is from the light, *John* 11.9,10.

Q. *And how is it that there is ſo much paſſion, ſo much wilfulneſs and perſecution among ſuch as do profeſs the Scriptures, and ſo much hatred, that men and people have ſcarce the patience to ſpeak one to the other, without perverſneſs about Religion? and what is the matter with theſe? was this the Apoſtles practice, or the Saints, or the Believers?*

A. No, *Tit.* 3,2.

Q. *What are theſe in the wiſdome below, and in a wiſdome that doth corrupt?*

A. Yea, for its earthly, they be in the earthly wiſdome, and the ſenſuall, and deviliſh, and with this wiſdom which is earthly, ſenſual, and deviliſh, are they profeſſing Scripture, they be ſo earthly, ſenſual and deviliſh, that they have ſcarce the patience to ſpeak one to the other about that which they call Religion, Jam. 3.5. & 1.25.

Q. *What are theſe the perverſe Diſputers ſpoken of?*

A. Yea, 1 Tim. 6.4,5.

Q. *And what, are theſe ſuch as pray, whoſe lips are polluted, and prayers abomination, that be in theſe things before mentioned?*

A. Yea

A. Yea, *Pſa.*31.18.

Q. *And what is the Religion here among ſuch vain, where the power is not over the tongue?*

A. Yea, *Iam.* 1.26.

Q. *But with what muſt all this be ſeen, and what is the way that every man muſt come into unity and peace?*

A. The light is the way which every man is lighted withall, and in him is the peace, *John* 16.33.

Q. *And is this the way to come out from the wiſdome which is from below, and from the knowledge which is earthly, ſenſual, and Devilliſh?*

A. Yea, the light is the way which is the wiſdom which comes from above, which the fear of the Lord is the beginingof, which fear of the Lord is to depart from evil, this wiſdom which is from above which is pure, gentle and eaſie, it doth not perſecute any; no, for it lighteth every man that cometh into the world, *Iam.*3.17. 1 *Cor* 1:24.

Q. *What is the Covenant, the new Covenant, the everlaſting Covenant?*

A: The light which enlightneth every man that cometh into the world, this light which enlightneth every one that cometh into the world, this is the Covenant, *Iſa.*42 6.

Q. *What*

Q. *What hath God given him for a Covenant, a light to lighten every man that cometh into the world?*

A. Yea.

Q. *And what have I, and every man that cometh into the world a light from Gods Covenant?*

A. *Yea.*

Q. *What is this light that I have from the Covenant of light.*

A. That which lets thee see sin, and thy transgression, which hath separated thee from God; so God doth enlighten, God doth give him for a Covenant of light which doth enlighten every man that cometh into the World; that you might believe in the light, and that every man with the light might see the Mediator between God and him, and might have peace with him, and that he might see Gods Covenant of light, with which he is lighted withall, and know his reconciler with which he is reconciled to God. 1 *Tim.* 2. 5. 2. *Cor.* 5. 18.

Q. But we have held up such Teachers, to bear rule by their means, which *Jeremy* said was a horrible filthy thing committed in the Land: and we have held up such teachers as seek for their gain from their quarter; and such teachers as have sought

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for the Fleece and the Wool, and we have held up ſuch Teachers as Divine for Money, and Teach for Money: and we have held up ſuch Teachers that are called of men Maſters, and ſtand praying in the Synagogues, and have the chiefeſt place in the Aſſemblies: and held up ſuch Teachers as teach for filthy Lucre, and are greedy and are covetous, which the light which Chriſt hath enlightned me withal, tells me are ſuch as the Prophets cryed againſt, and Chriſt cryed againſt and the Apoſtles, which were in the light, with which Chriſt hath enlightned every man withal, with which light they ſaw Chriſt: Now I ſee theſe be the Teachers which deny the light which doth enlighten every man that cometh into the World, and keep people from it, the light which they are enlightned withal; are not theſe they that ſhut up the Kingdom of heaven againſt men?

A Yea. Mat 23. 13.

Q. Are not theſe the blinde Guides?

A. Yea. Mat. 15. 14.

Q. *What is the Kingdom of Heaven?*

A Why it is light. *Luke* 17. 21.

Q. *And what is it that gives to ſee the Kingdom of Heaven?*

A. The light that enlightneth every man

man that cometh into the world.

Q. And what, do they that go from this light which they be enlightned withal, go they from the Kingdom, Light, Power, and Life, and Glory?

A. Yea, *Rom.*14.17.

Q. And what, are they thoſe that ſhut up the Kingdom of Heaven from others?

A. Yea, *Mat.*23.

Q. What, then theſe be they that be all in the tranſgreſſion, that will neither go in themſelves, nor ſuffer others?

A. Yea, they be ſo, and I cannot own ſuch Teachers which own not the light which hath inlightned every man that cometh into the world, I that own the light which I am enlightned withal; No, thoſe are the ſtrange voices that owns not the light which they are enlightned withal, and enlightneth every man that cometh into the world, but are with the light condemned, *John* 10.4,5.

Q. What, then that Spirit that errs from that which gave forth Scripture, that cannot hold them up that be in the error from it, what theſe be they then that be in ſtrife about words, that be in that ſpirit that erred from the ſpirit that gave forth Scriptures?

A. Yea,

A. Yea, they be so, *Isa.* 28.8. 1 *Tim.* 6. 4,5.

Q. Why seeing there be such a multitude of people that follow those Teachers that own not the light that enlightneth every man that cometh into the world, and the people deny it to many of them; how comes it about, is this the broad way?

A. Yea, and many goes in it, Mat. 7.13:

Q. And is this the wide Gate?

A: Yea, for Christ is the way that doth enlighten every one that cometh into the world, and they that go in the broad way, they go from this way which they be enlightened withal, and so they go from the Father of light; & these are they that go after those teachers that deny the light that enteneth every man that cometh into the world; and the Teachers denying the light, and the people deny the light, and there's a way, but its the broad way; but Christ is the way from the broad way, which is not of the world, to the Father, who enlightneth every man that cometh into the world, that all men through him might believe, & come to life; he is the way to the Father of life; so men going from the light, they go from Christ the teacher, whom God commands to hear, for he is the Prophet which God hath

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raiſed up like unto Moſes, which God commanded that people ſhould hear, *Mat.* 19. 21. *Deut*:18:18:

Q. *And do all they which go from the light which they be enlightned withall, and learnt of Chriſt, ſet up the heaps of Teachers after their own luſts, and be theſe the Teachers and Rulers?*

A: Yea, and theſe will not hear the voice of Chriſt, but hear thoſe Teachers which they have ſet up after their own luſts, and theſe have got the form of godlineſs, but deny the power, 2 Tim:4:3: 2 Tim:3:

Q. *How deny the power?*

A: Such as go from the light, and will not hear the light which they are enlightned withall, but deny the light, ſuch deny the power.

Q. *And how do they ſet up Teachers after their own luſts after it?*

A. Why they ſet up a Teacher which pleaſeth their own luſts, and ſpeaks the ſmootheſt and the ſofteſt words to them, & he that is moſt in the eloquence, and moſt in the method, pleaſeth them that be in the luſt; ſo every one that be in the luſt, have a heap of Teachers according to their luſts, Iſa.30.16: Jer: 28: 15:

Q. *But do theſe Teachers believe in the light*

light that inlightneth every man that cometh into the world.

A. No, if they did, they would not please them that be in their lust, *Ezek.* 13.10.

Q. *What then these Teachers and these People both deny the Light that hath enlightned every man that cometh into the world, and do not hear the voyce of Christ. When came these in?*

A. The Apostle saw it in his days then enter, which is now amongst men; which is now discovered with the light which hath enlightned every man that cometh into the word, 1 *John* 2.18.27.

Q. *Yea: But do not these which do not own the light, which doth enlighten every man that cometh into the world, do not these hear Christs voyce?*

A. No.

Q. *How comes that?*

A. Why, none hears Christs voice, but who hears the light which Christ hath enlightned them withall, for he is the light, & they that hear the light, and believe in the light, are the sheep of Christ, and they know Christs voyce and hear it.

Q. *What is he the stranger that owneth the Light, and heareth not the light which he enlightned withall.*

A. Yea

A. Yea a ſtranger.

Q. *And will not he that heareth the light which he is enlighned withal, which is the ſhep of Chriſt, which heareth Chriſt, hear a ſtranger?*

A. No, theſe know the voice of a ſtranger, and him they will not follow, and theſe know Chriſt voice. *John* 10.5.

Q. *And what are all they ſtrangers to the Covenant of God, that do not own the light which enlightneth every man that cometh into the world, and which they themſelves be enlightned withal; and is there vanity in their minds?*

A. Yea. *Eph.*2,12.

Q. *And are all theſe ſtrangers to the life of God, that own not the light which every man is enlightned withal?*

A. Yea, for the Covenant of God is the light, and none come to the life of God but who come to the light, which is the way to God. *Iſa.*42.6.

Q. *And what is the Word?*

A. Chriſt is the Word: his Name it called the Word of God, who hath enlightned thee: and this light which hath enlightned thee, will let thee ſee him whoſe Name is called the Word of God: and there art thou to ſtand ſtil in the light, which cometh

from the Word, and lets thee see the Word. *Rev.*19.13 1 *Pet.*1.23.

Q. *What is t is the Word that sanctifies and makes clean?*

A Yea, *Heb.*4 12.

Q *Yea but these Teachers that deny the light that enlightneth every man that cometh into the world, they told us that the Letter was the Word, and the Bible was the Word?*

A Yea, but the Jews which had the Scriptures which did not believe in the light which enlightned every man that cometh into the world, they persecuted the Word: so they which cal themselves Christians now, which do not believe in the light, which every man that cometh into the world is enlightned withall, profess the Scriptures declared forth from the Ministers of the word, but persecute the word, and them in whose hearts it is, & sets the Scriptures above the Word, *John* 1.1. & 5.38,39.

Q. *What are the Scriptures to be don withall, and of what use are they, and for what end are they given forth?*

A. They were given forth for that end, that men should believe them, & read them and hear them: and wait in that that did give them forth, to have them fulfilled, and practise

practise them. *John* 5.47. *Luke* 4.21.

Q. *But will not the Spirit that gave forth Scriptures, own its own word?*

A. Yea.

Q *And can the Scriptures be broken?*

A. No, *John* 10.35.

Q. *But how is it then that men say they break the Scriptures, and crumble them, can they do so?*

A. No, that is but their imaginations of the Scripture: they break them their own conceivings and private interpretations & imaginations, that they break: for the Scriptures cannot be broken, saith Christ, who is the light. 2 *Pet.* 3.16.

Q *But how is it that the Scripture is so dark, and speaks so darkly?*

A. No, it is not the Scriptures that be dark, and speak darkly; but it is men that be dark, and speak darkly; and it is those men which be from the light, which enlighneth every man that cometh into the world, and so do not see the Scriptures that were given forth from the Spirit of truth, that they be from the light, they that come not to the light which they be enlightned withal, they come not to Christ, and its they that speak darkly. 2 *Pet.* 1.20 21

Q. *But how is it then that they do not*

own the light whih lightneth every man that cometh into the world, claim the Scriptures, and say its theirs, they that do not own the light that enlightneth every man that cometh into the world, and which they be enlightned withal?

A. They be out of that which gave forth Scriptures, and so that is the Spirit which did not abide in the truth, but did in allages stand against them that gave forth Scriptures, and persecute them; and though they might get the Saints words, yet persecuted the Saints life, and them that be in it. *Mat.*23.30,31.

Q. *What doth corrupt the good Manners?*

A. Evil words. 1 *Cor.* 15.33.

Q. *How should I know them?*

A. Why, with the light which thou art enlightned withal; it will tell thee when thou dost speak evil words, or before thou dost speak them.

Q. *But is the pure known by refraining evil words, and having a bridle to my tongue?*

A. Yea. *Jam.*1.26.

Q. *What doth pollute my lips, and make them perverse?*

A Thou being in the transgression out of the light which thou art enlightned withal?

Q. *How*

Q. *How in trangreſſion of it?*

A. Why, not owning of it: but acting contrray to, and ſo from the light, thou art poluted, thy lips are poluted, and thy lips utter perverſe things, 1 *Tim.* 6. 5.

Q. *And is there not then a falling into miſchievous thoughts and wicked imaginations?*

A. Yea, when thou goes from the light: for thats the light which ſhews thee ſin, and diſcovers them to thee. *Eph.* 5. 13.

Q. *What, the light will teach me to forſake all this then?*

A. Yea it will do ſo. *Tit.* 2. 11, 12.

Q. *Shall not my lips be poluted and utter perverſe things if I walk in the light, and hear the light?*

A. No, if thou hear the light, thou turns from guile and perverſneſs, and that which doth polute, *Mark* 9. 7.

Q. *Doth any man upon the earth own Gods righteouſneſs but who owneth the light which doth enlighten every man that cometh into the world?*

A. No, for the light which doth enlighten every man that cometh into the world, Chriſt Jeſus is Gods righteouſneſs.

Q. *Are all the inſtructions upon the earth the inſtructions of errour, which denye the*

light which enlightneth every man that cometh into the world?

A. Yea they are from the light.

Q *Wil here be my way of Peace?*

A. Yea, here will be thy way of peace: but if thou act contrary to the light, and dost not believe in the light which thou art enlightned withall, thou wilt not have peace, but have trouble; for in me ye shall have peace, saith Christ, who enlightneth thee, *Luke* 1. 79. *John* 16. 33.

Q *Yea, but the Teachers of the world say, That every one was not enlightned with the light, and they were the Ministers of Christ sent into the World?*

A. But Christ never sent any to deny his Doctrine, who is the light that hath enlightned every man that cometh into the world. *John* 1. 9.

Q *What are these the Antichrists that deny the light which they are enlightned withal, and every man that cometh into the world?*

A Yea. they are the Antichrists which deny the light which they are enlightned withal. 1 *John* 2. 22.

Q *And what is it to love my neighbour as my self and how must I come to that, and love God above all?*

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A. If thou love the light which thou art enlightned withal, thou loveſt God, who is light, and this light brings thee not to bear falſe witneſs, not to covet, not to do any murther, not to ſteal not to commit adultery, not to bow to any image, nor not to covet any thing thy neighbour hath that is his; for it will not that any ſhould do ſo unto thee: and it will not let thee do ſo to any one: as thou loves the light, thou loves God who is light, and thou loves thy neighbour who is enlightned with the ſame light; and this brings to be nigh together, joyns you together, this brings to love God above all thy Goods, and this brings to love God with all thy mind, and all thy ſoul, and thy Neighbour as thy ſelf, and ſo the Law is fulfilled in one word. 1. *John* 1.5. *Rom.* 13.8,9,10. *Mat.* 7.12. 2 *Cor.* 3. 11. *Deut.* 6.

Q. *But are they Chriſtians that are crying up* Exras *Pulpit, and the Prieſthood that take Tythes, and the Temple, and the Ordinances that are in the firſt Covenant; and have not the law of God put in their minds, and written and revealed in their hearts?*

A. No, for they are Chriſtians that are in the ſecond Covenant, the ſecond Prieſthood, he hath blotted out the hand-

writing of Ordinances, changed their Priesthood, disanulled the command that gave them Tythes, and the Law by which they were made the first Priesthood: he hath writ his law in his peoples hearts and minds, but his Spirit in their inward parts, & they have received the light, which they be enlightned withal, these be the Christians, these are in Christ, and these are the new creatures. 1 *Pet.* 2.9 *Col.*2. *Heb* 7 12. & 8.10. 2 *Cor.* 5.17.

Q. *What, they that be in the light that enlightneth every man that cometh into the world, they be in the Covenant then?*

A. Yea, they be so, and come to know their election then, and the Lambs Book of life, which was before the world was: they that own the light which doth enlighten every man that cometh into the world, they come to know this, they do: yea, they do so 1 *Thes* 1.4. *Rev.*21.17.

Q. *And but they that do deny the light which every man is enlightned withal, they do altogether live in the old things, do they not?*

A. Yea, and are the old creatures, and the old man, *Eph* 4 22.

Q. *Are these they then that hold up the Priests that take Tythes, and hold up Synagogue,*

gogue, and Temple, and Ordinances tha Christ hath blotted out?

A. Yea, these be they that do so, that be out of the light, for tythes was an Ordinance of the first Priesthood; but they that be in the light that comes from Christ Jesus, see another Priesthood established & the former done away with its Ordinances; they see other Temples than those made with hands, *Heb* 7. *Col.* 2.1 *Cor.* 3.17.

Q. *What do these come to know whether their bodies are the Temples of the Holy Ghost?*

A. Yea.

Q. *And do these come to know all things to become new?*

A. Yea, new Covenant new Priesthood, new Temple, new Way, living way, a new Teacher Christ Jesus, who saith, learn of me, and this is my beloved Son saith God, hear ye him. Now they which do not own the light, which doth enlighten every man that cometh into world, they are crying up the first Priesthood, and say, the lips of them must preserve their knowlege, and them that hold up Priest, Synagogue, Temple, and Jews Sabbath; and these do not own the light which every man that cometh into the world is enlightned withal; and these be in the

the old things out of the new, which own not the light. 2. *Cor.* 5. 17. *Heb.* 10 *Mal.* 2. 7.

Q. *What do none own the new things nor none own the new creature, but who own the light that enlighteneth every man that cometh into the world?*

A. No, for the light is Christ, which maketh all new; which light doth enlighten every man that cometh into the world.

Q. *Why then is not the Worship of God new?*

A. Yea.

Q. *Was not the Worship once at Jerusalem, and at Samaria, and at the Mountain where* Jacobs *Well was?*

A. Yea there was a Worship there?

Q. *But did Christ deny that Worship?*

A. Yea.

Q. *And them for worshipping there?*

A. Yea, who said, not at Jerusalem, not at Samaria, not at this Mountain; but they that worship the father, must worship him in spirit and in truth. *John* 4. 21. 22, 23.

Q. *And if he is not worshipped at Jerusalem, nor at Samaria, nor at the Mountain where Jacobs Well was, how comes he now to be worshipped in these houses which the Papists built, as the Teachers of the world say they worship him there?*

A. Nay, they worship they know not what,

what, for God is a Spirit, and he muſt be worſhipped in the Spirit, and in the Truth, and ſuch he ſeeks to worſhip him, the father of Spirits,

Q. *What is the truth in which he is worſhipped?*

A. That is the truth which enlighneth every man that cometh into the world, which the Divel abode not in, but is out of, and every man being enlightned with the truth, if he come to truth, he comes to that the Divel abode not in, but is out of, and in this is God worſhipped, and in the ſpirit. *Iohn* 8.44.

Q. *What cannot men worſhip God in the Truth, if they believe not in the light which they are enlightned withal: and which hath enlightned every man that cometh into the world?*

A. No, he that hath not believed in the light which enlightneth every man that cometh into the world, doth not believe in the truth.

Q. *What is the light the truth?*

A. Yea, *Iohn* 1 14 & 8 12

Q. *What muſt not I tell a lie, if it bring me in gain or my father gain, or my mother gain or ſiſters gain, or any of my friends or neighbours gain?*

A. Nay

A. Nay, if it bring in gain, but speak the truth and lose the gain, that the lie would bring into thee, for that will bring the into scorn, and he that lies, goes out of truth, as the Divel did, who spake a lie, he spake of himself, and he abode not in the truth, for he said to the woman thou mayest eat, when God said, thou mayest not eat, so he spike a lie, and he spake of himself. *Zach* 8.16,17. *Gen* 3.4 5.

Q. *Is there any command from God that man should sin, or commit sin?*

A. Nay, the light which cometh from Christ will let thee see that sin is out of the truth, so there is no command to sin from God who is pure. 1 *John* 3.8.

Q. *Why may not one cozen, or cheat, or over reach people in bargains, and measures to get gain if I can do it privatly?*

A. Nay, thou ought not if thou canst do it privately, for a cozener is out of truth, and doth not do the thing that is true, and if he overreacheth another, he doth not the thing that is righteous, but deceiveth the thing that is simple and innocent, and he that acts the thing that is false, acts the thing that is not righteous, & so his works are not wrought in God, and his works that are not wrought in God, they are all to be reproved with the

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light which thou art enlightned withall, which will let thee see and bring thee from off all false weights and measures, and that which is false is not true, and that will bring thee to sorrow in the end, though for a time they seem sweet, yet the reward of it will be bitter to him that the sin seemed sweet to; now the light will let thee see this which testifieth against the world, that the works of it are evil. *John* 3. 19, 20. *Prov.* 20. 10. & 7. 10, &c.

Q. *But may not I follow games and pleasures, and make jests and rimes, and go to Dancing, and Fidlers, and Wakes, and Bouls, and matches at Foot-ball, and playing at Cudgels, and take pleasure in these things?*

A. Nay, for this is a taking pleasure in the flesh; and this is that birth that persecuteth the Spirit; and this is that which is from the light, which witnesseth of Christ, and would slay it, which birth taking pleasure in the flesh, wich flesh glories: this flesh that glories, and birth born of the flesh, is not the birth born of the Lord, and which in him takes pleasure in such the Lord, hath delight. Now he that believeth in the light which enlightned every man that cometh into the world, he comes to witness the birth not

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born of the fleſh, which taketh pleaſure in the Lord; and thoſe pleaſures that do but recreate the fleſh, and the birth born of the fleſh he denies, for he that is born of the Spirit, which is perſecuted of him that is born of the fleſh, keeps down that nature, keeps down that birth, and judgeth it which is born of the fleſh, and recreates and takes pleaſure in ſports, and there hath its liberty, and there its glory, fleſh glories, and the birth that takes pleaſure in the Lord which anſwers the light in every man, which he is enlightned withal, ſtands a witneſs againſt that birth born of the fleſh, which fleſh glories in its ſports & paſtimes; there doth that perſecute. *Gal.* 4. 29. *Rom.* 8. 13. *Jer.* 9 23.

Q. *What is the higher power to which the ſoul muſt be ſubject to; is there a power that muſt not be ſubjected to; what is that power?*

A. That is the power which did not abide in the truth, which muſt not be ſubjected to, but that is the higher power which the ſoul muſt be ſubject to, which is above that which did not abide in the truth; ſo this power is above that which did go out of the truth, which ſpake of himſelf; the devil ſpake of himſelf, & he ſpake a lie, ſo he that ſpeaks

ſpeaks of himſelf, doth not follow Chriſt, who hath enlightned him to deny himſelf, and ſo he denying ſelf, ſelf ſhall not ſpeak, *Rom.*13.1.*John* 8.44.

Q. *what is ſelf?*

A. He that ſpeaks and doth not follow Chriſt. And if ſelf doth ſpeak, and act, and rule, there the light is not owned, and Chriſt is not followed, and ſelf is not denied. And this light which Chriſt hath enlightned thee withal, will tell thee thou muſt not ſpeak evil of any man. *Rom.*13.9.

Q. *Now what is it to ſpeak evil of any man?*

A. That is, not to ſpeak the Truth. And the light which thou art enlightned withal, it will let thee ſee thou muſt ſcoff none, reproach none, backbite non, envy none, nor have malice at any but to be meek and humble; the light with which thou art enlightned withal, will let thee ſee this, that all this is contrary to the light, & is not to be hearkned to, which who follows, learns not of Chriſt. *Mat.*5.44.

Q. *How may I know the children of God from the children of the Divel?*

A. The children of God they believe in the light which they be enlightned withal; ſo are children of light born of God. The children

children of the divel do not believe in the light which every man is enlightned withal; ſo they do not belive in the truth, but deny this light, & this light torments them which they are from, and this is the condemnation of them. 1 *John* 3.10. *John* 3.19.

Q. *But I who am enlightned with the light which is the truth, ſhall not I ſee temptations?*

A. Yea, the light will let thee ſee them, and it will let thee ſee that ſin lyeth at the door; and thou loving the light which lets thee ſee them, the judgement will be ſet up at the gate, and if that ſin do lie at the door, and the temptation come thither, why its without, heed not it, but heed the light Chriſt, who hath enlightned thee, him by whom the world was made; and here thou will witneſs a greater in thee; than he that is in the world, ſo he that believes, he overcomes; for Chriſt who hath enlightned every man that cometh into the world, who is the truth, was tempted to fall down to him who was out of the truth Now if he tempt thee which is out of the truth, & abode not in it, (mark) if he tempt thee which is out of truth, which thou art in, never fear him, but fear God then, and ſubmit to truth, and dwell in it, and ſtand ſtill in truth, for then thou

thou receiveſt power which keeps thee above temptation of him, that is out of truth, out of the light; for the light is the truth, which doth enlighten every man that cometh into the world. *Gen.* 4. 7. 1 *John* 4.4. *Mat.*4. 4. *John* 8.44.

Q. *Did the Apoſtles witneſs this Doctrine the light, did they preach it?*

A. Yea, for the Apoſtle when he was brought before the Heathen, in his examination, he made a confeſſion that he was ſent to turn the people from the darkneſſe to the light, and from the power of Satan to God, which they were in. Now theſe are the Miniſters of Satan which deny the light which enlightneth every man that cometh into the world, and keep people from it; theſe are they that turn people from the power of God to Satan; and theſe are the Miniſters of Satan, and the falſe Apoſtles, who turn the people from the light. But the Apoſtles which did believe in the light which enlightneth every man that cometh into the world, which light he was enlightned withal, was ſent to turn people from darkneſſe to light, and did warn both ſmall and great to repentance, and to do works meet for repentance Acts 26.18. 2 *Cor.*11.13. *Mat.*3 8.

Q. Doth none come to repentance, or regeneration, or tranſlating from darkneſs to light, but ſuch as own the light which doth enlighten every man that cometh into the world?

A. No, for where the light is owned, the light lets ſee the change of the mind from what it was in formerly, and changeth it out of that which it was formerly, and here is regeneration; and here is turning it from the power of Satan, who is the power of death, he which receiveth the light which enlightneth every man that cometh into the world, receiveth power over Satan, over Death over the Divel, over him who abode not in the Truth, but is out of it: So he which receiveth this light which he is enlightned withal, and enlightneth every man that cometh into the world, he receiveth the truth, and the truth maketh him free. And he that is made free by this truth, is made free indeed. *Rom.* 12.2. *Eph.* 4.23. 1 *Cor.* 15.55. *John* 8.32.

Q. But what now if I ſee drunken company drinking healths, drinking Ale and ſtrong Beer, may I not go and drink with them, and keep company with them as they do?

A. Nay, for they be out of the light while they be enlightned withal, who be devour-

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ing the Creation upon their luſts, and be out of the fear of God, and out of the wiſedom of God; and ſo if thou go from the light which thou art inlightned withal, then thou goeſt among them that be out of the fear of the Lord, where the fleſh glories, which are out of his preſence, going from his light: Now thou mayſt go among ſuch to reprove them, thou who dwells in the light which thou art enlightned withal, to reprove ſuch who dwell not in the light which they be enlightned withal, and ſo are become roitous perſons, and drunkards, and turned from the light which Chriſt hath them enlightned withal. They ſmite their fellow-ſervants; and Chriſt who hath enlightned them, which they are turned from, will give them their portion with hypocrites and unbelievers; therefore take thou heed to the light with which thou art enlightned withal, and with it ſee the Saviour of thy ſoul, and eſcape all the pollutions of the world, *Prov.* 14.21. *Gal.*6.12. *Eph.*5.11. *Rev.*21.8.

Q. *What is that the Divel, and the Tempter, which ſpeakes of himſelf, which dide not in the truth?*

A. Yes.

Q. *And is he of the Divell, and they,*

and Tempters that speak of themselves, and and are out of truth, and do deny it?

A. Yea.

Q. *With what is the Divel the Tempter seen which speaks of himself, who abode not in the truth?*

A. He is seen with the light, which is Christ the Truth, who doth enlighten every man that cometh into the world, and with this light which man is lighted withal, which comes from Christ the truth, he is discovered. Who is in this light, is of God, and speaks his word, which light comes from it. 1 *John* 1.5.

Q. *What doth none speak the Word of God but who are in the light which enlightneth every man that cometh into the world?*

A. No, for the Jews knew not the word who owned not the light which enlighteneth everyman that cometh into the world the Word became flesh; and the Christians whichown not thelightwhich enlightneth every man that cometh into the world, they arenot Ministers of the Word, but of the Letter, they know not the Word, who own not thelight that enlightnethevery manthat cometh into the world *John* 1.14. 2 *Cor.* 3.

Q. *What, do none see Christ the Hope of Glory, but who own the light that enlighteneth*

neth every man that cometh into the world?

A. No, for the light that cometh from Christ the Hope of Glory, which enlightneth every one that cometh into the world, comes from the Hope of Glory, and with it they see the Hope of Glory, and come to sanctifie the Lord in their heart, and give a reason of their hope with meekness and godly fear, to every man that asketh. *Col.* 1.27. 1 *Pet.* 3.15.

Q. *Will the light let me see my unsanctified estate?*

A. Yes.

Q. *And when I am not meek, and when I am not low in heart?*

A. Yes, the light which Christ hath enlightned thee withal, will let thee see this; and if thou hearken to the light, and love the light, it will teach thee to be meek and low in heart; and if thou do not hearken to that which will carry thee up in a high mind, and do not hearken to the deceit which hardens thy heart, the light makes it manifest. *Mat.* 11.29. *Rom.* 11 20.

Q. *Shall I receive the ingrafted Word into my heart, if I wait in the light which comes from the word?*

A. Yes, for the light comes from it, and the word divides asunder that which the

light discovers to be contrary to that which is precious; and it is as a hammer, and it is as fire. *Heb.*4.12.

Q. *And what is it that will give me to see him by whom the world was made, and him by whom all things were created?*

A. The light which comes from him who hath enlighted thee, by whom all things were created. *Heb.*1.2.

Q. *Is this the light which sheweth me my sin, and transgression, and iniquity, which hath separated me from God? Is this the Covenant of light with which I am united again to God, which doth make manifest this?*

A. Yes. *Isa* 42 16.

Q. *That which separates me from my sin, and from my iniquity, and transgression, is this the light which separates me from this? and Gods Covenant of light with which I come to have unity and fellowship with God and his Son?*

A. Yea, with which light I come to see sin, and transgression blotted out. *Psal.*51.9.

Q. *And is there no peace but in the Covenant of God, which is the covenant of light?*

A. Nay, thou knowest there's no peace if thou act out of the light, in the unrighteousness. *John* 16.33.

Q. *Where*

Q. *Where is the way where I may be kept from all diſtraction and diſtemper, and drunken thoughts and imaginations, and conceivings, and my own reaſonings?*

A. Heed the light, and ſtand ſtill in that now that diſcovers all this, and there thou ſhalt receive power to overcome all that, from him that hath given thee a light, to ſee all that which is contrary to the light; and here thou ſhalt find the way of peace and eſtabliſhing, yea, the freſh ſprings of life; be but patient and learn of Chriſt, and be content, and thy ſoul ſhall be ſatisfied. *John* 1 12. *Luke* 1.79 *Joel* 2.26.

Q. *Shall any man come to know Chriſt the Author of his faith, which ſhall give him victory over the world, but who believeth in the light which enlightneth every man that cometh into the world?*

A. Nay, for the light cometh from the Author of Faith, and lets him ſee the Author of the Faith; and brings him to look to the Author of his Faith, Chriſt Jeſus. *Heb.* 12.2.

Q. *Wherein ſhall I come to inherite life eternal, and how?*

A. Then coming to the light and receiving the light, with this light which comes from Chriſt the life, thou ſhalt receive the

promiſe, which is eternal life, this is the light which maketh manifeſt ſin and death. 1 *John* 2.25.

Q. *But do none come to eternal life but who come to the light which they are enlightned withal?*

A. No, for the light is the life; he that is out of the light, is in death; he that waiteth in the light comes to inherite the promiſe and abide in it; and none comes to ſee the Son of God, and Chriſt reign, but who owns the light that doth enlighten every man which cometh into the world, which comes from Chriſt the Son of God. *Heb.6* 12.

Q. *The Miniſters, and Teachers, and Profeſſors of the world told us, that the four Books,* Matthew, Mark, Luke, John, *was the Goſpell?*

A. Yea, they do ſo, which do not believe in the light that doth enlighten every man that cometh into the world, which they that do believe in the light which enlightneth every man that cometh into the world, is the Goſpel to them, is the power of God unto ſalvation, to every one that doth believe in the light; but to them that do not believe in the light, Profeſſors and Teachers, the four Books by them is

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put for the Goſpel. *Romans* 1. 16.

Q. *What are theſe in the natural knowledge, and out from the light which doth enlighten every man that cometh into the world, which muſt give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God, that put the four Books for the Goſpel?*

A. Yes, the Scripture ſaith the Goſpel was preached to *Abraham*, which was before the four Bookes was written; which Goſpel is the power of God. *Gal.* 3. 8.

Q. *And the Teachers of the world told us that Hebrew, Greek, and Latine, is the Original?*

A. Yea, they did ſo, and do ſo.

Q. *And moreover ſuch told us, that ſuch as had this Original, might open the Scriptures to the ignorant?*

A. Yea, and they do ſo.

Q. *But the Scriptures ſay, all the Earth was of one Language before* Babel, *and* Nimrod *the cunning Hunter before the Lord, which came out of the ſtock of curſed* Ham, *whoſe Kingdome God did confound into many Languages: and* Pilate, *who crucified Chriſt, when he had crucified him, he wrote a ſuperſcription and put over him in Hebrew, Greek and Latine, and put over Chriſt, and* Pilate

knew

knew him not. Now if theſe Languages were the Original, which Pilate *had which crucified Chriſt, and which Languages were ſtopt at Babel, and can go no further, for all the Earth was of one Language before. Now to believe them that ſay this is the Original, and they that have them may open the Scripture, which are learned men. So* Pilate *which had that Original, a learned man, which was no further then Babel which had his Original, which crucified Chriſt, may be one among them. Now whether are we to believe the Scriptures, or theſe learned men?*

A. Why, the Scripture ye are to believe before them, and thereby ye may come to witneſſe the Word which was before the Scripture was given forth; and the Spirit the holy Ghoſt, which moved the holy men of God to give it forth; and ſo you may come to witneſſe that that gave them forth upon record, that leads into all truth. *John* 5.39. & 1.1. 2 *Pet.*1.21.

Q. *Is not the Letter the Light?*

A. Nay, Chriſt is the light; many had the Letter, and ſtood againſt the Light. *John* 8.12.

Q. *Is not the letter the Word?*

A. Nay, Chriſt is the Word; his Name is called the Word of God; and many had

had the Letter, which ſtood againſt the Word which became fleſh, and dwelt among them, *Rev.*19.13. *John* 1.14.

Q. *Now the Teachers of the world, and Profeſſors of the world told us the Bible was the light, and it was the Word.*

A. Why, it ſaith God was the Word, and it ſaith Chriſt is the light, they ſay ſo which are the Miniſters of God, but they ſay, the other which are the Miniſters of the World, made by the Will of man: The Teachers of the World ſay, to the Law, and to the Teſtimony, and they call the Scripture ſo. But many had the Scriptures, yet were not of the Teſtimony, and ſtood againſt the Law, and were tranſgreſſors of the Law, the Teſtimony of Jeſus is the Spirit of Propheſie, and the Scriptures is not the Spirit, and the Law is light, and to obey the Law, is to reſpect no mans perſon and he that obeys the Law, denies no Magiſtrate, that walks in the Law which is light. *John* 1.1: *Rev.*19.10. *James* 2.9. *Prov.*6.23.

Q. *What then if they ſpeake not according to the Law and to the Teſtimony, it is becauſe there is no light in them?*

A. Yes, the light of the wicked is put out, and the light is the eye, and here

here the eye come to be cloſed, and the Teſtimony of Jeſus not received, and the light gone from, which is the Law. *Prov.* 20. 27.

Q. *Is the Croſs of Chriſt an imagined thing, or is it a Croſs of wood or ſtone, or any other thing that is viſible, invented with the mind, what is it?*

A. The Croſs of Chriſt is the power of God, which throws down thoſe croſſes that be invented with the mind within, or without, and the power of God is the croſs of Chriſt, which removes, ſhakes, and throws down that which is to be removed and ſhaken; which raiſeth up that which ſhall never be ſhaken, and brings where there is no ſhakings, and this is the power of God, which is Chriſt's Croſs, 1 *Cor.* 1. 18. *Heb.* 12. 27.

Q. *Is theſe Steeple-houſes the Church, or the great Meeting places, or the ſeparated places which profeſſe the Scripture, which do not believe in the light which doth enlighten every man that cometh into the world?*

A. No, the Church is in God, which is the pillar and ground of truth, where there is not a ſpot, nor a wrinkle, nor a blemiſh, or any ſuch thing, this is the Church, and what-

whatſoever is ſaid to be man, is not the Church, for it will blemiſh, or what man doth ſet up or invent, that will blemiſh, and have blemiſhes in it; but in the Churches of Chriſt there is none; and man, and what he ſets up, will wrinkle, and is ſpotted, but the Church of Chriſt is out of ſpots, or wrinkles, or any ſuch things; ſo for calling the great houſes Churches, that's ignorance; ſo for calling a company of people that are full of pride, and deceit, and blemiſhes, ſpots and wrinkles, to ſay this is the Church, which is the pillar and ground of Truth, where there is neither ſpot, nor wrinkle, nor bemiſhes, nor any ſuch thing, that cannot be ſo ſaid. *2 Theſ.* 1.1. *Eph.* 5.26,27.

Q. *How ſhall every one come to this Church, where there is neither ſpot nor wrinckle, which is the ground and pillar of Truth?*

A. Every one having a light from Chriſt Jeſus the Saviour of the ſoul, him by whom the world was made, he is the Rock upon whom the Church is built, every one being turned to the light, he is turned to the rock from whence it come, and ſo it is turned to the Church, which is in God the Father of our Lord Jeſus Chriſt. *Heb.* 1.2. *Matth.*

Matth. 16. 18. 2 *Theſ.* 1. 1.

Q. *How is it that there is ſo much preaching upon firſt days, Lectures, Praying, and funeral Sermons, and Faſting daies; and yet people and Teachers continue in their pride, vanity, and perverſeneſs, and in their old waies, and by all this preaching people are not profited, they are never the better: what is the matter that preachers and people are both alike in profaneneſs, pride, covetouſneſs, and they are greedy as the people for filthy lucre?*

A. It is ſo, and the cauſe is this, for they are ſuch teachers as the Lord hath not ſent, and ſuch as have not heard his voice, but they are ſuch as uſe their tongues which the Lord hath not ſpoken to, which the Lord ſent his Prophets to cry againſt, which have not profited his people at all, upon whom night ſhould come; which deceive with the hard ſpeeches and good words, which the Lord hath not ſent; & theſe are them which do not believe in the light which doth enlighten every man that cometh into the world; and theſe are them which Gods anger is turned againſt, & theſe are them which the Lords ſervants did bear teſtimony againſt in ages paſt: & theſe are found profeſſing the Prophets words,

words, or the Apoſtles, or the Son of God, but are out of the life of the Prophets, Apoſtles, or the Son, therefore theſe are with the life of the Prophets, Chriſt, and the Apoſtles judged, *Jer.*23.21,32. *Mic.*3.6.

Q. *Are we to hold up ſuch Teachers as bear rule by their means, and the Lords Prophets cryed againſt; are we to hold up ſuch Shepherds as cry for their gain from their quarter, or are we to hold up ſuch Shepherds as ſeek for the fleece and the woell, and make a prey upon the people?*

A. No, the Lords Prophets cryed againſt ſuch, *Ez.* 34.

Q. *Are we to hold up ſuch Prophets as divine for money, and if the people doe not give it them, they prepare war againſt them, and the Lords Prophets cryed againſt ſuch* Mic.3. *and we do hold up ſuch Teachers that ſtand praying in the Synagogue, and have the chiefeſt place in the aſſembly which Chriſt cried wo againſt?* Matth.23.6. Mark.12.38, 39. Luke 11.43.

A. No.

Q. *Chriſt did hear the Phariſees?*

A. Yea, ſuch as Chriſt cried wo againſt, they had the Law, and they were to hear the Law, and doe as it is ſaid, & not as they did, for Chriſt was made under the Law, & come

come to fulfil it, & when he was ſacrificed up, he had fulfilled it, the Law; then he ſaid, Go preach the Goſpel to all Nations; and then ſaid the Apoſtle, Him that had the form of Godlineſſe, and not the power, is to be turned from; ſo then we are to know one another in the power, then go act the power of godlineſs. *John* 7.19. *Mat.*23.3. *Gal.*4.4. *Ma.*5.17. *John* 19 30. *Mat.*28.19. *Mar.*16.15. 2 *Tim.*3.5.

Q. *Are we to hold up ſuch Teachers as teacheth for filthy lucre, and hath the love of money, are ſtrikers, and brawlers, and railers, and are covetous?*

A. No, for ſuch will get the form of godlineſs, the good words, the Scriptures; but ſuch denies the power, therefore ſuch turn from; for a covetous man is a reprobate man concerning the faith, & is an idolatrus man, which faith purifies the heart, & keeps from idolatry, and ſuch as be in the love of money, err from the faith, & ſuch are pierced through with hurtful luſts, & be in the root of evil, and be diſproved by the light, which doth enlighten every one that cometh into the world, and are acting contrary to the light in their own particulars, wch light ſhall anſwer the light in them that walk contrary to it, wch light the childre

of light walking in, are found in that light which doth condemn them & their actions that walks contrary to it. Christ Jesus who doth enlighten every one that cometh into the world, saith, I receive not honour of man, 2 *Tim.* 3. 8. *Eph.* 5, 5. *Acts* 15. 9. 1 *Tim.* 6. 9, 10. *John* 1. 9. & 5. 41.

Q. Will this light which doth enlighten every man receive honour of man that gives it him, or one of another?

A. No, the light of Christ Jesus testifies against the honour of man, and which receive honour one of another, *John* 5 44.

Q. What is the honour of man that God will deface and stain?

A. It is that which men that be in the transgression hath invented in transgression of the light, which honour God wil stain, which who be in the light, receives the honour from God, and gives the honour to God again. And here is the cause of men and women in the earth being out of unity and fellowship one with another, it is because every man is from the light which Christ hath enlightned him withall: for every man that commeth into the world being enlightned, and every man being turned to the light which he is enlightned withall, he is turned to Christ from whence

light comes, with the light which every man is enlightned withal, in the light they wil have unity, ſo in the light they ſhall have fellowſhip one with another, every one leaving the light he is enlightned withall, he leaves Chriſt, *John* 3.18,19.

Q. *Why then here is no Antichriſt?*

A. No.

Q. *How comes the Antichriſt then?*

A. Why he that hateth the light which he is enlightned withall, and heareth not it, he is the Antichriſt, and the deceiver, where the thorns and thiſtles grow out of, whoſe fruits declare them, 1 *John* 2.18,19, 20. 21,&c, 1 *John* 4.3.

Q. *What then? Do they go from the light which they be enlightned withall? They go then from Chriſt, from whence light comes; and are theſe falſe Apoſtles, them that did not continue with the Apoſtles, but went out from the light which enlightneth every man that commeth into the world, and ſo from the unity & fellowſhip one with another, and from the annointing which abideth within which will teach people, and as it teacheth them, they ſhall continue in the Father and the Son?*

A. Yea then they began to go forth from the light which they were enlightned withall in the daies of the Apoſtles, and ſo went

went forth from the anointing, and so went forth to the false Prophets and Antichrist, & such as went forth from the light which they were enlightned withall, and every man is enlightned withall, they stand against the light in others, and these are the Antichrist, and the false teachers which now are standing in the world, which came in the daies of the Apostles, as you may read in the Scriptures, which now stands against the light which doth enlighten every man that cometh into the world, that all men through him believe; which all that doth not is their condemnation, and these teachers and people that be from the light that doth enlighten every man that cometh into the world, concludeth it to be a created light, and a natural light, by which light all things was created that was created and made, that was made, which doth enlighten every man that commeth into the world, which was glorified with the Father before the world began, the Sun was created, the Moon and the Stars; these were created lights which were created for him, and by him, and to him, which enlightneth every man that cometh into the world, which he that is turned to the light sees him by

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which all things was created, which w
glorified with the Father before the wo
began, 1 *John* 2. 18. *John* 1. 2,3. & 17.
& 17. 24,25.

Q. *And doth none ſee their ſalvation b
who are turned to the light which Chriſt h
enlightned them withall, and will the light
ſee Chriſt their ſalvation?*

A. Yes.

Q. *Doth any come to ſalvation who h
the light they be enlightned withall, and b
lieves not in the light?*

A. No, the light is their condemnation
John 3. 19.

Q. *And is the firſt day the Sabbath?*

A. No, Chriſt roſe on the firſt day of th
week, and the Saints met on the firſt da
and the Circumciſion was on the firſt da
the eighth day, and the Jews met on th
ſeventh day called the Sabbath; ſo th
Jews meetings differs from the Chriſtian
meetings which meet on the firſt day, *Ma*
16. 2. *Acts* 20. 7. *Luke* 1. 59. *John* 7. 22.

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